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Senate at Ease.
Senate called to order by the President.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later Today Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act To Incorporate Binding Arbitration for Monetary Issues in Collective Bargaining for All State, County and Municipal Employees"

S.P. 257 L.D. 814

Tabled - June 14, 2007, by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook

Pending - motion by Senator **STRIMLING** of Cumberland to **RECEDE** and **CONCUR** (Roll Call Ordered)

(In Senate, June 12, 2007, FAILED PASSAGE TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-268).)

(In House, June 14, 2007, PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-268), in NON-CONCURRENCE.)

(In Senate, June 14, 2007, Senator **MARTIN** of Aroostook moved the Senate **INSIST**.)

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#146)

YEAS:

Senators: BARTLETT, BOWMAN, BRANNIGAN, BROMLEY, BRYANT, DAMON, HOBBINS, NUTTING, SCHNEIDER, STRIMLING, SULLIVAN, THE PRESIDENT - BETH G. EDMONDS

NAYS:

Senators: BENOIT, COURTNEY, DIAMOND, DOW, GOOLEY, HASTINGS, MARRACHE, MARTIN, MCCORMICK, MILLS, MITCHELL, NASS, PERRY, PLOWMAN, RAYE, ROSEN, ROTUNDO, SAVAGE, SHERMAN, SMITH, SNOWE-MELLO, TURNER, WESTON

12 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 23 Senators having voted in the negative, the motion by Senator **STRIMLING** of Cumberland to **RECEDE** and **CONCUR**, **FAILED**.

On motion by Senator ${\bf MARTIN}$ of Aroostook, the Senate ${\bf INSISTED}.$

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, the Senate considered the following:

PAPERS FROM THE HOUSE

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act To Allow Direct-to-consumer Wine and Malt Liquor Sales"

S.P. 54 L.D. 143 (C "A" S-245)

In Senate, June 12, 2007, PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (S-245).

Comes from the House, the Bill and accompanying papers INDEFINITELY POSTPONED, in NON-CONCURRENCE.

On motion by Senator MARRACHÉ of Kennebec, the Senate RECEDED and CONCURRED.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later Today Assigned matter:

Bill "An Act To Enable the Dirigo Health Program To Be Self-administered"

H.P. 347 L.D. 431 (C "A" H-285)

Tabled - June 14, 2007, by Senator MITCHELL of Kennebec

Pending - motion by Senator **DIAMOND** of Cumberland to **ADOPT** Senate Amendment "D" (S-309)

(In House, May 24, 2007, PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-285).)

(In Senate, May 29, 2007, READ A SECOND TIME.)

(In Senate, June 14, 2007, on motion by Senator **DIAMOND** of Cumberland, Senate Amendment "D" (S-309) **READ**.)

On motion by Senator **WESTON** of Waldo, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from York, Senator Sullivan.

Senator **SULLIVAN**: Thank you, Madame President, men and women of the Senate. This is an amendment to the self-insurance that would put more insight and would allow, as the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Diamond, said, more transparency and also all four-corners, both Majority and Minority Party will have a say in the new board. I would ask your support. I voted the way I did, asking it to be tabled, earlier simply because I had not seen the amendment. We were partying at our luncheon and had not seen it. Having seen it and spoken to the

good Senator prior, I just wanted to see it and read it before I voted on it. I would ask you to support this.

THE PRESIDENT: The pending question before the Senate is the motion by the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Diamond to Adopt Senate Amendment "D" (S-309). A Roll Call has been ordered. Is the Senate ready for the question?

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#147)

YEAS: Senators: BARTLETT, BENOIT, BOWMAN, BRANNIGAN, BROMLEY, BRYANT, COURTNEY,

DAMON, DIAMOND, DOW, GOOLEY, HASTINGS, HOBBINS, MARRACHE, MARTIN, MCCORMICK, MILLS, MITCHELL, NASS, NUTTING, PERRY, PLOWMAN, RAYE, ROSEN, ROTUNDO, SAVAGE, SCHNEIDER, SHERMAN, SMITH, SNOWEMELLO, STRIMLING, SULLIVAN, TURNER,

EDMONDS

NAYS: Senators: None

35 Senators having voted in the affirmative and No Senator having voted in the negative, the motion by Senator **DIAMOND** of Cumberland to **ADOPT** Senate Amendment "D" (S-309), **PREVAILED**.

WESTON, THE PRESIDENT - BETH G.

On motion by Senator **WESTON** of Waldo, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#148)

YEAS: Senators: BARTLETT, BOWMAN, BRANNIGAN,

BROMLEY, BRYANT, DAMON, DIAMOND, HOBBINS, MARRACHE, MARTIN, MITCHELL, NUTTING, PERRY, ROTUNDO, SCHNEIDER, STRIMLING, SULLIVAN, THE PRESIDENT - BETH

G. EDMONDS

NAYS: Senators: BENOIT, COURTNEY, DOW,

GOOLEY, HASTINGS, MCCORMICK, MILLS, NASS, PLOWMAN, RAYE, ROSEN, SAVAGE, SHERMAN, SMITH, SNOWE-MELLO, TURNER,

WESTON

18 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 17 Senators having voted in the negative, was PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-285) AND SENATE AMENDMENT "D" (S-309), in NON-CONCURRENCE.

Sent down for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following Tabled and Later (6/13/07) Assigned matter:

HOUSE REPORTS - from the Committee on **STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT** on Bill "An Act To Increase the Number of Androscoggin County Commissioners"

H.P. 1349 L.D. 1916

Majority - Ought to Pass as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-507) (9 members)

Minority - Ought Not to Pass (4 members)

Tabled - June 13, 2007, by Senator MARTIN of Aroostook

Pending - ACCEPTANCE OF EITHER REPORT

(In House, June 12, 2007, the Majority OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED Report READ and ACCEPTED and the Bill PASSED TO BE ENGROSSED AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" (H-507).)

(In Senate, June 13, 2007, Reports READ.)

Senator **NUTTING** of Androscoggin moved the Senate **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence.

On motion by Senator **SCHNEIDER** of Penobscot, supported by a Division of one-fifth of the members present and voting, a Roll Call was ordered.

The Doorkeepers secured the Chamber.

The Secretary opened the vote.

ROLL CALL (#149)

YEAS: Senators: BARTLETT, BENOIT, COURTNEY,

DIAMOND, DOW, GOOLEY, HASTINGS, MILLS, NASS, NUTTING, PLOWMAN, RAYE, ROSEN, SAVAGE, SHERMAN, SMITH, SNOWE-MELLO,

STRIMLING, WESTON

NAYS: Senators: BOWMAN, BRANNIGAN, BROMLEY,

BRYANT, DAMON, HOBBINS, MARRACHE, MARTIN, MCCORMICK, MITCHELL, PERRY, ROTUNDO, SCHNEIDER, SULLIVAN, TURNER,

THE PRESIDENT - BETH G. EDMONDS

19 Senators having voted in the affirmative and 16 Senators having voted in the negative, the motion by Senator **NUTTING** of Androscoggin to **ACCEPT** the Majority **OUGHT TO PASS AS AMENDED** Report, in concurrence, **PREVAILED**.

READ ONCE.

Committee Amendment "A" (H-507) **READ** and **ADOPTED**, in concurrence.